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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages \$4373-\$4430

Measures Introduced: Four bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3078–3081, and S. Res. 504–507.

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Measures Reported:

S. 2816, to reauthorize the diesel emissions reduction program. (S. Rept. No. 114–284) Page S

Measures Passed:

Collector Car Appreciation Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 507, designating July 8, 2016, as Collector Car Appreciation Day and recognizing that the collection and restoration of historic and classic cars is an important part of preserving the technological achievements and cultural heritage of the United States.

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Presidential Allowance Modernization Act:
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1777, to amend the Act of August 25, 1958, commonly known as the "Former Presidents Act of 1958", with respect to the monetary allowance payable to a former President, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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McConnell (for Ernst) Amendment No. 4852, in the nature of a substitute. Pages S4428-29

Patient Access to Durable Medical Equipment Act: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. 2736, to improve access to durable medical equipment for Medicare beneficiaries under the Medicare program, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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McConnell (for Thune) Amendment No. 4853, in the nature of a substitute. Page S4429

Measures Considered:

Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2578, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year

ending September 30, 2016, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S4383-S4404

Pending:

Shelby/Mikulski Amendment No. 4685, in the nature of a substitute. Page S4383

McConnell (for McCain) Amendment No. 4787 (to Amendment No. 4685), to amend section 2709 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that the Government may obtain a specified set of electronic communication transactional records under that section, and to make permanent the authority for individual terrorists to be treated as agents of foreign powers under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978.

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McConnell motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations for a period of 14 days.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, June 22, 2016, with the time until the vote on motion to invoke cloture on McConnell (for McCain) Amendment No. 4787 (to Amendment No. 4685) (listed above) equally divided between the two managers, or their designees.

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National Defense Authorization Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the engrossed version of S. 2943, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2017 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, be printed as passed.

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Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13466 of June 26, 2008, with respect to North Korea; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–52)

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Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001, with respect to the Western Balkans; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–53) Pages S4409–10

Martinotti and Rossiter, Jr. Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader in consultation with the Democratic Leader, Senate begin consideration individually either of the nominations of Brian R. Martinotti, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, and Robert F. Rossiter, Jr., of Nebraska, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska; that there be 30 minutes for debate only on each nomination, equally divided in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of time on the respective nomination, Senate vote, without intervening action or debate, on confirmation of the nomination.

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Privileged Nominations Referred to Committee:
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Additional Cosponsors: Pages \$4410-12

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Additional Statements: Pages \$4407-09

Amendments Submitted: Pages \$4414-28

Authorities for Committees to Meet: Page S4428

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:46 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 22, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4430.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Lieutenant General Thomas D. Waldhauser, USMC, to be general and Commander, United States Africa Command, and Lieutenant General Joseph L. Lengyel, ANG, to be general and Chief of the National Guard Bureau, who was introduced by Senator Cornyn, both of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

SEMIANNUAL MONETARY POLICY REPORT TO THE CONGRESS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the semiannual monetary policy report to the Congress, after receiving testimony from Janet L. Yellen, Chair, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

FIRSTNET

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet concluded an oversight hearing to examine FirstNet, focusing on an update on the status of the Public Safety Broadband Network, after receiving testimony from Andrew Katsaros, Principal Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation, Office of Inspector General, Department of Commerce; Major General Arthur J. Logan, Hawaii Adjutant General, Honolulu; Michael Poth, First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet), Reston, Virginia; and Jeffrey S. McLeod, National Governors Association's Center for Best Practices, Washington, D.C.

BLM PLANNING 2.0 INITIATIVE OVERSIGHT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Bureau of Land Management's Planning 2.0 initiative, after receiving testimony from Neil Kornze, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Jim Magagna, Wyoming Stock Growers Association, Cheyenne; James D. Ogsbury, Western Governors' Association, and Kathleen Sgamma, Western Energy Alliance, both of Denver, Colorado; and Mark Squillace, University of Colorado Law School, Boulder.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Anne Hall, of Maine, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lithuania, Lawrence Robert Silverman, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the State of Kuwait, Marie L. Yovanovitch, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, Geoffrey R. Pyatt, of California, to be Ambassador to Greece, Douglas Alan Silliman, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Iraq, Peter Michael McKinley, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Federative Republic of Brazil, and Carol Z. Perez, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chile, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.